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SUSPECT INSURGENT ACTIVITY SE SAN (RIVER) VALLEY, CAMBODIA

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

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THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS EVIDENCE OF SUSPECT INSURGENT ACTIVITY IN CAMBODIA.

2. LOCATION:

SUSPECT INSURGENT ENCAMPMENTS, LIAISON STATIONS, AND STORAGE FACILITIES ARE IDENTIFIED IN THE SE SAN (RIVER) VALLEY IN NORTHEAST CAMBODIA.

3. BACKGROUND:

ALTHOUGH THE VOLUME OF SUPPLIES OBTAINED FOR COMMUNIST FORCES FROM CAMBODIA HAS ALWAYS BEEN SMALL, CAMBODIAN TERRITORY NOW SEEMS TO BE PLAYING AN INCREASINGLY IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE MOVEMENT OF MILITARY SUPPLIES FROM NORTH VIETNAM TO SOUTH VIETNAM. IT HAS BEEN ADMITTED BY THE CAMBODIAL IN GOVERNMENT AND CONFIRMED BY U.S. FORCES THAT CAMBODIA IS USED AS A SOURCE OF SUPPLY, SANCTUARY, AND POLITICAL COMFORT BY THE VIET CONG. IT HAS BEEN CONFIRMED THAT CAMBODIAN TERRITORY HAS BEEN USED TO CONSTRUCT ROADS CONNECTING THE COMMUNIST INFILTRATION COMPLEX IN LAOS WITH THE CENTRAL HIGHLANDS OF SOUTH VIETNAM. IT IS CLEAR THAT THE USE OF CAMBODIA IS OF CONSIDERABLE SIGNIFICANCE TO THE VIETNAMESE COMMUNISTS AND THAT THEY RECEIVE SUPPLIES IN LARGE QUANTITY FROM AND VIA CAMBODIA.

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THE VIET CONG AND, MORE RECENTLY, NORTH VIETNAMESE FORCES USE CAMBODIAN TERRITORY IN MANY AREAS ALONG THE 600-MILE BORDER FOR SANCTUARY AND BIVOUAC PURPOSES. VIET CONG ELEMENTS HAVE BEEN LOCATED ON CAMBODIAN TERRITORY BY AIRBORNE RADIO DIRECTION FINDING, ALTHOUGH IT APPEARS THAT THESE ELEMENTS ARE SHIFTED BACK AND FORTH ACROSS THE BORDER. IMPORTANT VIET CONG AND NORTH VIETNAMESE ARMY MILITARY FACILITIES, SUCH AS REST CAMPS, TRAINING AREAS, HOSPITALS, WORKSHOPS, AND STORAGE DEPOTS, NOW OPERATE IN CAMBODIA.

PHOTOGRAPHY HAS SHOWN AT LEAST TWO COMMUNIST BASE AREAS IN NORTHEAST CAMBODIA AND NEW CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY TO THE WEST NEAR THE NEWLY BUILT ROUTE 110.

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5. MISSION READOUT:

REVEALS THAT THE AREAS

OF SUSPECT INSURGENT ACTIVITY CONSIST OF NUMEROUS PARTIALLY CONCEALED
BUILDINGS LOCATED IN HEAVILY WOODED AREAS. EXTENSIVE TRAIL AND SCARRING
ACTIVITY ARE OBSERVED WITHIN EACH AREA OF INTEREST.

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AREA A -- A SUSPECT INSURGENT CAMP AT 1400N 10706E (UTM YA255483) CONTAINS FOURTEEN DISCERNIBLE BUILDINGS.

AREA B -- A SUSPECT INSURGENT ENCAMPMENT AT 1359N 10706E (UTM YA 277466) CONTAINS THIRTEEN DISCERNIBLE BUILDINGS.

AREA C -- A SUSPECT LIAISON STATION AT 1456N 10721E (UTM YA540415)

CONSIST OF THREE LARGE AND SEVEN SMALL BUILDINGS, AND FOUR LARGE DETERIORATED BUILDINGS.

OTHER SUSPECT INSURGENT INSTALLATIONS LOCATED ON THE MAP BUT NOT DEPICTED ON THE GRAPHIC ARE A STORAGE AREA AT 1400N 10715E (UTM YA428488) CONTAINING TWELVE BUILDINGS, AND A LIAISON STATION AT 1400N 10717E (UTM YA463480) CONSISTING OF TWO BUILDINGS AND ROW CROPS.

A NEWLY CONSTRUCTED CAMBODIAN MILITARY CAMP (ALSO LOCATED ON THE MAP BUT NOT DEPICTED ON THE GRAPHIC) ON THE NORTH BANK OF THE SE SAN AT 1404N 10707E (UTM YA295563) CONTAINS TWO LARGE BARRACKS-TYPE BUILDINGS LOCATED WITHIN A FENCE-SECURED AREA. A SUSPECT STORAGE AREA CONTAINING TWENTY BUILDINGS AND ASSOCIATED ROW CROPS IS OBSERVED ADJACENT TO THE MILITARY CAMP AT UTM YA293558.

ALL UTM COORDINATES ARE TAKEN FROM AMS SERIES L7012, SHEETS 6452 I AND II.

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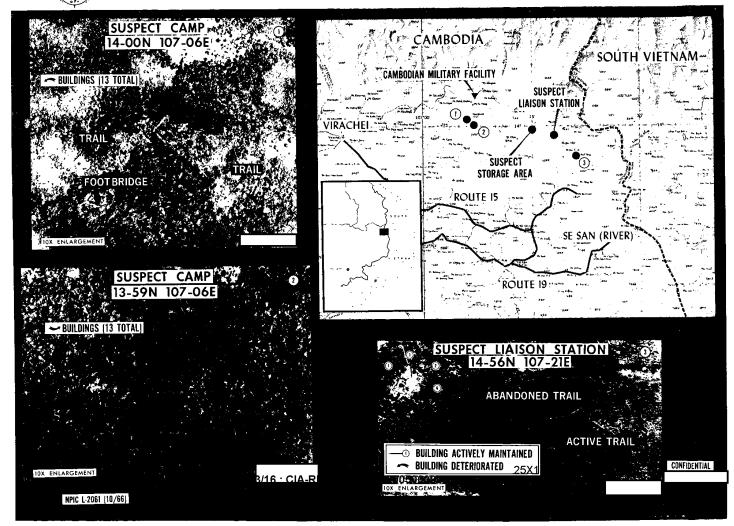
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